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For: PROCESS FOR SCREENING)
CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS FOR)
MODULATING THE INTERACTION OF)
AN EVH1 DOMAIN FOR A PROTEIN)
HAVING AN EVH1 DOMAIN WITH AN)
EVH1 BINDING DOMAIN OR A)
PROTEIN HAVING AN EVH1 BINDING)
DOMAIN, AND A PROCESS FOR)
DETECTING SAID INTERACTION)

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